

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Original) A composition comprising ~~a lecithin fatty acid, an olive oil fatty acid, an esterified fatty acid and mixed tocopherols.~~

2. – 7. (Canceled)

8. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the esterified fatty acid is about 70% to about 80% of the composition.

9. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the esterified fatty acid is about 70% to about 75% of the composition.

10. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the esterified fatty acid is about 74% of the composition.

11. – 15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the esterified fatty acid is selected from the group consisting of decanoic acid, lauric acid, myristoleic acid, myristic acid, palmitoleic acid, palmitic acid, oleic acid and stearic acid and mixtures thereof.

17. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for treating ~~and preventing an arthritis, periodontal disease, or other inflammatory joint condition, psoriasis, lupus, or heart or cardiovascular condition comprising from about 1% to about 10% of a lecithin fatty acid, from about 15% to about 25% olive oil fatty acid,~~

~~from about 70% to about 80% of an esterified fatty acid, about 1% to about 5% of a tocopherol, and pharmaceutically acceptable carriers thereof.~~

18. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 17, wherein the pharmaceutical composition further comprises biocompatible polymers as protective colloids, suspensions or bulking agents, excipients, binders and carriers.

19. (Currently Amended) A method of treating ~~and preventing an arthritis, periodontal disease, or other inflammatory joint condition, psoriasis, lupus,~~ or heart or cardiovascular condition comprising administering an effective amount of the composition of claim 1 to a subject in need of such treatment.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the subject is a mammal.

22. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein the mammal is human.

23. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein the mammal is canine or feline.

24. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the composition is administered via topical application.

25. (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 1 to 15 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

26. (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 3 to 10 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

27. (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 5 to 8 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

28. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the composition is administered orally.

29. (Original) The method of claim 28, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 5 to 32 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

30. (Original) The method of claim 28, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 10 to 30 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

31. (Original) The method of claim 28, wherein the amount of the composition administered is about 15 to 25 mg/kg of body weight of said subject per day.

32. (Original) The method of claim 28, wherein the composition is administered via a soft gel.

33. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the composition is administered once a day.

34. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the composition is administered twice a day.

35. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the composition is administered to a subject in combination with another compound or

therapy effective to treat ~~or prevent~~ arthritis, periodontal disease, ~~or other inflammatory joint conditions, psoriasis, lupus,~~ or a cardiovascular or heart disease.

36. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 18, wherein the biocompatible polymers are selected from the group consisting of lecithin fatty acids, olive oil fatty acids, and tocophenols.